HE DNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Patent Application g Atty LSN-659-49 Dkt. C# M# LLOYD et al TC/A.U. 2166 Serial No. 10/705,242 Examiner: S. Ahn Filed: November 12, 2003 Date: November 27, 2007 A DIRECTORY SYSTEM Title: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: RESPONSE This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. ☐ Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached. Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment minus highest number previously paid for 20 (at least 20) =x \$50.00 \$0.00 (1202)/\$0.00 (2202) \$ Independent claims after amendment minus highest number previously paid for 3 (at least 3) =x \$210.00 \$0.00 (1201)/\$0.00 (2201) \$ If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, (ignore improper); add \$370.00 (1203)/\$185.00 (2203) \$ Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) One Month Extension \$120.00 (1251)/\$60.00 (2251) Two Month Extensions \$460.00 (1252)/\$230.00 (2252) Three Month Extensions \$1050.00 (1253/\$525.00 (2253) Four Month Extensions \$1640.00 (1254/\$820.00 (2254) Five Month Extensions \$2,230.00 (1255/\$1115.00 (2255) \$ Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$130.00 (1814)/ \$65.00 (2814) \$ Applicant claims "small entity" status. □ Statement filed herewith Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee \$180.00 (1806) \$ 0.00 Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (8021) 0.00 \$ Other: \$ 0.00 TOTAL FEE \$ 0.00

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RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated 10/31/2007, applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's restriction requirement.

Claims 108-123 all depend directly or indirectly from independent claim 106.

Under MPEP §806.05(d) where sub-combinations as disclosed and claimed are both (a) a species under a claim genus and (b) related, then the question of restriction must be determined by both the practice applicable to election of species and the practice applicable to related inventions. If restriction is improper under either practice, it should not be required.